

Pinewood Parents Club Presents...
Trivia Night
Saturday, 22nd October, 2016

The evening will be run as follows:

7.00pm Hall open. We ask that everyone is seated prior to a
7.30pm start.

10.30pm Trivia Night comes to a close with prizes and raffles drawn.

This is an adult only event.

Tickets are \$15 per head which includes; entry, entertainment and prizes. Please fill in the attached form ASAP and return, in a named, sealed envelope to the school office. Your tickets will be sent home with your child/children.



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Name: _____

Childs Name: _____ Grade: _____

No. of Tickets Required: _____ @ \$15 ea. \$ _____ enclosed
OR

No. of Tables Required: _____ @ \$150 ea. \$ _____ enclosed

If you have any queries, please contact Lisa Strong 0413 015 143.



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CALENDAR

October

- 10th P-2 Swimming
- 11th P-2 Swimming
- 11th Year 6 Science Incursion
- 12th P-2 Swimming
- 13th P-2 Swimming
- 14th BOOK CLUB DUE**
- 14th Year 6 Interschool Sport
- 14th P-2 Swimming
- 14th Whole School Disco
- 17th P-2 Swimming
- 17-19th Year 3 & 4 Camp
- 18th P-2 Swimming
- 19th P-2 Swimming
- 20th Year 2 Excursion to The Gould League
- 20th P-2 Swimming
- 21st P-2 Swimming
- 24th P-2 Swimming
- 24-28th Year 5 & 6 Camp
- 25th P-2 Swimming
- 25th School Council Meeting 7pm
- 26th P-2 Swimming
- 27th P-2 Swimming
- 28th P-2 Swimming
- 31st Report Day. No children to attend school on this day.**

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school for Term 4. Time seems to be flying by very fast. Our prep students look more grown up every term and are really making huge progress in their learning. It is hard to imagine they will soon be in year 1 and our wonderful year 6 students will be off to secondary school in a few months.

This eleven and a half week term is sure to be very busy with our leadership team and staff being involved in planning for the 2017 school year as well as delivering a high quality curriculum and additional learning opportunities for our students.

Please note that Monday October 31st is a Curriculum Day (Assessment and Reporting) and Tuesday 1st November is a public holiday for the Melbourne Cup, thus our school will be closed on these two days.

DISTRICT ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to the students who represented Pinewood PS at the Divisional Athletics Championships on Wednesday. Even though it was a very cold and windy day the enthusiasm and good sportsmanship displayed by each student was exceptional. Well done to you all!



OUR YCDI FOCUS FOR TERM 4- Developing Confidence

Our Personal Learning and 'You Can Do It' focus for term 4 is **Confidence**. The children will be learning about four ways of thinking that help to develop confidence.

These are:

1. **Accepting Myself**- even when you make a mistake.
2. **Taking Responsible Risks**-knowing that it is good to try new activities even when you might not be able to do them.
3. **Being Independent**- thinking that it is important to try new activities and to speak up even if others think you are silly or stupid.
4. **I Can Do It attitude**- thinking that when you are having difficulty with your work, it is more likely you will be successful than not.

Students will also be learning about three components of 'confidence' that help develop a positive approach to learning and



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enhance the ability to work successfully in a team.

These are:

- ◆ **Non-verbal confidence-** What do children with confidence look and sound like.
- ◆ **Work confidence-** How children with confidence approach learning tasks and situations.
- ◆ **Social confidence-** How children with confidence approach social situations including making friends with classmates.



PARENT eSMART WORKSHOP

On Tuesday evening, 25 families, braved

the wet weather and attended the eSmart information session, titled 'Digital Parenting: Educating, Protecting & Empowering'. The session was facilitated by a member of the Alannah and Madeline Foundation, eSmart Schools team.

The presenter discussed trends in technology and some of the issues facing young people. The focus was on promoting smart, safe and responsible behaviours and increasing wellbeing across the wider school community.

The session covered:

- ◆ Cyber safety in the home
- ◆ Parenting in the digital age
- ◆ Overview of resources available for parents
- ◆ A process for reporting cyber bullying and/or inappropriate online content.

I have included a copy of the eSmart, 'Top Ten Tips' for keeping children safe from violence whilst on line (attached to the newsletter).

NEW POLICY- 'Dogs at School' policy

We value the benefits of pet ownership, however, over the past few months we have had family members bringing dogs onto the school grounds, during school hours- this has become a concern. Many students are frightened of dogs and several students have been tripped over by dogs on leads as the dog lead has become entangled around students' legs.

School Council have now ratified a, 'Dogs at School' policy. I have attached a copy of the policy to the newsletter for your information. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding regarding this matter.

PREP 2017- Transition Visit

On Tuesday morning many of our Prep students for 2017 and their parents visited Pinewood PS as part of our Prep Transition Program. The visiting students participated in Art, PE, Music and LOTE sessions with great enthusiasm, while their parents met with both me and Mr Mallett in the staffroom. Our School Captains, Kasey and Sid, prepared excellent presentations about their time at the school and shared their experiences with our new parents. Both Kasey and Sid were great ambassadors for Pinewood PS. I have included a copy of our School Captains Prep Orientation speeches in the newsletter for our community to enjoy.



Kasey W. School Captain

Hello, I'm Kasey, one of the School Captains for this year. I'm honoured to be speaking to you about my school. I'll been talking to you about some programs, responsibilities and the wellbeing of students at our school. I began my primary school education in 2010 in Prep at Pinewood. I have continued until now and it has helped me grow and become the person I am today.

It has improved my confidence and social skills and many other life qualities. Pinewood is a neighbourly and multicultural school and has a very friendly and inviting community of staff and peers.

At Pinewood we run buddy program. This is where a year six is partnered with one or two preps. The year six students help Preps transition into primary school' making them feel safe and comfortable. I know from my experience at this school that this program helped me a lot.

At Pinewood we also run a You Can Do It program. This helps the development of children's social and emotional abilities. This school thinks children enjoying their time here is important, this is why we run these sorts of programs. The five foundations we are taught are; 'confidence, organisation, getting along, persistence and resilience'.



During the school year there are many events and activities that occur, some are for educational purposes or to raise money for organisations footy colours day; being our most recent. Others include; excursion to the zoo, book week incursion and our annual swimming program which teaches children how to be swim smart.

During the school day we enjoy playing outside at lunch and snack. Three teachers are on duty, each supervising a different area, 2 year six leaders also help around these are called K.O.P's which stands for Kids on Patrol. Although this responsibility only applies to year 6's it makes a big difference in the playground, solving younger student's disagreements.

At Pinewood we are also working towards becoming a sustainable school, looking to create a better future for the students. My time at pinewood has strengthened many of my abilities and is continuing to improve them. I have also made many friends that I hope to keep. I hope your children have as much fun and learning opportunities as I have.

Thank you,
Enjoy the rest of your day, it's been a pleasure to talk to you.

Sid K. School Captain

Hi, my name is Sid and I am also a School Captain for 2016, and today I will be talking about some of the things your children will be learning at our school.

Pinewood has numerous amounts of specialists including art, music and library. Specialist activities are usually a highlight of any child's day as all the teachers create amazing activities that gets everyone involved in.

At Pinewood we also learn languages other than English. This year and many previous years before, we have learned Indonesian as LOTE as a language other than English. If your child struggles in speaking English, we also have the EAL program, where our teacher, Miss Price, will help our students in learning English.

All of our specialists have something to offer for your child's learning.
In maths, your child will cover most math

subjects such as addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

In English, they will cover all sorts of things such as spelling and grammar. P.E offers a wide variety of sports including soccer, football and tennis.

We also have science, which is a relatively new subject in the school, where students will cover all sorts of science topics.

Another topic that is new to our school is robotics, where students will learn basic code to control robots made out of Lego. It is lots of fun and very engaging. Thank you everyone for listening and joining us today. I hope your child enjoys our lovely school and you enjoy the rest of your day. Thank you.

PARENTS CLUB EVENTS- STUDENT DISCO and TRIVIA NIGHT

Our wonderful Parents Club will be hosting two events in October.

The first event is a school 'disco' which will be held next Friday October 14th. A notice has been given out this week containing information about the event.



The second event is our bi-annual **Trivia Night** is being held on **Saturday 22 October** (7pm for a 7:30pm start). This event is a great opportunity for the parent community to get together socially and have some fun and meet new friends. Tickets are currently on sale at \$15 per head. The night is BYO event— refreshments and food. I'm sure there will be lots of enjoyment throughout the night. All money raised will go towards our 'shade sail' project. Please note that this is an adult only event.

LEAVING OUR SCHOOL



With the exception of year 6 students, please notify the school office if you are planning on moving away from our school at the end of this year and your children will be attending another primary school. This will help us in our planning for classrooms and teachers for 2017.

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Principal**



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The Out of Hours Program will not open on Curriculum Day, Monday, 31st October.

TERM DATES 2016

Term 4

Monday, 3rd October – **Tuesday, 20th December 2016**

TERM DATES 2017

Term 1

Years 1-6 Tuesday, 31st January – Friday, 31st March 2017

Preps Thursday, 2nd February – Friday, 31st March 2017

Term 2

Monday, 18th April – Friday, 30th June 2017

Term 3

Monday, 17th July – Friday, 22nd September 2017

Term 4

Monday, 9th October – Friday, 22nd December 2017

UNIFORM SHOP REMINDER

A reminder that uniform can no longer be purchased from the school. Pinewood uniforms are now available from

PSW

288-290 Stephenson's Rd

Mount Waverley

Phone: 9768 0335



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Mayfield Park TC

Glen Waverley TC

◆ Group Lessons \$15.00 per 1/2 hour

(no more than 4 on court)

◆ Semi-Private Lessons \$21 per 1/2 hour

(2 on court)

◆ Private Lesson \$35 per 1/2 hour. New pupil SPECIAL-\$300 for 10 lessons.

Booking Essentials-0417 327 880

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